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SUBJ: SUMMIT MEETING IN NORTHERN TOGO

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1. JOINT COMMUNIQUE SIGNED AT DAPANGO, NORTHERN TOGO, ON NOVEMBER 14 BY CHIEFS OF STATES OF TOGO, NIGER AND UPPER VOLTA WAS PUBLISHED IN GOUV'S DAILY BULLETIN NOVEMBER 17. COMMUNIQUE CALLED ON ANGOLAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS TO STOP HOSTILITIES AND FORM GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION; PRAISED RECENT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN PARTIES CONCERNED IN SPANISH SAHARA AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD LEAD TO PEACEFUL AND LASTING SOLUTION; WELCOMED INTERIM DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL AS IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS SETTLEMENT OF MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT; CALLED FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF MORE EQUITABLE WORLD ECONOMIC SYSTEM; AND REAFFIRMED THE THREE LEADERS' DETERMINATION TO MAKE OF ECOWAS AN EFFICIENT INSTRUMENT OF REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

2. COMMENT: COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT DAPANGE MEETING TOOK PLACE "WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF PERIODIC MEETINGS" BETWEEN THE
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THREE CHIEFS OF STATES. WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO FIND OUT

WHAT REAL PURPOSE OF MEETING MIGHT HAVE BEEN. IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT CHIEFS OF STATES WANTED TO COORDINATE THEIR POLICIES ON ANGOLA IN THE FACE OF STRONG PRESSURE FROM PRO-MPLA WEST AFRICAN STATES. ON THE OTHER HAND, EYADEMA MIGHT HAVE WISHED TO LINE UP NIGER AND UPPER VOLTA MORE STRONGLY BEHIND TOGO AND ECOWAS. WE NOTE ALSO THAT, BESIDES FOREIGN MINISTER, PRESIDENT LAMIZANA WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND P.T.T. AND BY MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORT WHICH WOULD SUGGEST THAT PROBLEMS OF COMMUNICATIONS AND LAND TRANSPORT WERE ALSO DISCUSSED.
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